

FORT LEONARD WOOD RETIREE COUNCIL

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ATZT-AG-TR (609-25a)

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting 17 November 2005

Meeting called to order by Co-Chairman CSM Julius Nutter, USA (Ret) at 0900 hours.

Members Present:

BG Arvid E. West, Jr.

COL James H. Kuhn

CAPT Don W. Marshall

LTC John D Abshier

LTC Mary Bess

LTC Norbert F. Pohlman

MAJ G. Michael Warren

MAJ Wayne A. Strohschein

CSM Julius Nutter

CSM Mack E. Williams

SGM Steven P. Nelle

1SG Wilmetta J. Herbert

SMSGT Duane Fields

1SG Steven G. Shepard

SFC Joseph P. Krill, Jr.

SP6 William L. Shy

Members Excused:

MAJ G. Michael Warren

CSM Harold G. Baxter

SFC George N. Launius

SSG Gerald A. Dawson

Members Absent:

COL J. Brian Morrissey

LT Melbern J. Robinson 1SG Olan Payne SR MSG Jeanie V. Kellas

MANSCEN STAFF

CW2 Jesse J. French USA (Ret) AG/MILPO CSM James Cheney, Mr. Jeff Cox, Assistant, Chief of Staff

GUEST PRESENT

Mr. Jim Figg, DMWR CSM Franklin D. Herbert, Spouse Mrs. Jan Pohlman, Spouse

- 1. CSM Nutter led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members were thanked for being present. Guests were introduced and welcomed.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the meeting of 18 August 2005.
- 3. Committee Reports:
 - A. Retiree Assistance Office no report
 - B. Health Care Board 1SG Herbert/LTC Abshier Hospital is going fairly smoothly. Appointment availability seems to be adequate. Pharmacy is having some issues. The hospital commander is well aware of the issues and is working on solutions. A woman's health center will begin construction in January on the 3rd Floor. Bids are out for the walkway in front.
 - C. Installation Commissary/Post Exchange Advisory Council COL Morrissey no report
 - D. Morale, Welfare and Recreation Advisory Council SFC Krill no report
 - E. Retiree Council Financial Statement 1SG Herbert as of 31 October 2005 there was \$2944.51 in the account. Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the financial report.
 - F. Widowed Support Program LTC Bess reported from CJ Corbet that the Chaplains have approved money for literature for the program. Additional widows are continuing to come into the program. They are still having trouble getting names from St. Louis. 115 widows are now in the program in Springfield.

G. Legislative Liaison – BG West – reported Veterans Homes, Trust Fund, and Cemeteries are the priorities at state level. At national level still pushing for the 30 year paid up SBP effective immediately and pointing out funding shortages. He got a letter from Ike Skelton about military survivor issue. Letter was read.

4. Area Council Reports:

- A. Quincy LTC Pohlman LTC Bess was successful in getting names within a 50 mile radius of Quincy. It was a large number of names. Quincy will work on contacting them. Working on having a check list and forms needed for getting the indefinite ID card for those over 75 by mail and what actions need to be done when a retiree dies.
- B. Springfield CSM Williams In June had the VA Supervisors at their meeting.. No complaints on service were raised but getting an appointment continues to be a problem. Senator Bond's representative attended the meeting. Most attention was focused on "Nelson Bill" and suggested flooding Senator's office with letters and E-Mails supporting the bill. It was reported 1SG Olan Payne is very ill.
- C. St. Louis SGM Neele 1st official meeting and is getting on board.

Old Business:

- B. RAD Sub-Committee Reports see after action report.
- B. Other Old Business none

New Business:

- A. Selection of Co-Chairman of the Fort Leonard Wood Retire Council MAJ G. Michael Warren was nominated. No other nominates were made. MAJ G. Michael Warren was approved.
- B. Submission of Issues for Discussion at the 23-28 April 2006 Chief of Staff, Army, Retiree Council Meeting If anybody has any issues they need to be submitted by e-mail by end of November 2005.
- C. Guest Speaker for RAD 2006 email names to Beverly as soon as possible.
- D. RAD 2006 Committees and Hospitality Chairperson volunteers are asked to submit their names to CSM Nutter. Names for Retiree of Years should be given to LTC Abshier.
- E. Additions to council membership Two nominations were submitted and approved to be added to the Council SGM Nelle to replace the St. Louis representative and SMSGT Fields to replace 1SG Olan Payne in Springfield.

- F. Member Emeritus SFC Don Price was approved as member Emeritus
- Next Scheduled Meeting: Location to be determined, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri at 0900 hours 16 February 2006.

G. MICHAEL WARREN
MAJ, USA (RET)
Presiding Co-Chairman